

## Philosoph Hears Burchill Discuss Prairie Irrigation

Speaking on "Prairie Irrigation Schemes—Liabilities or Assets," Professor C. S. Burchill addressed a meeting of the Philosophical Society on Wednesday, Feb. 11.

Prof. Burchill, associate professor of history at the University, discussed the problem of planned spending by the government as a means of offsetting depression conditions.

"Irrigation construction," said Mr. Burchill, "is one type of government expenditure which is particularly desirable in any attempt to ward off a depression. We have a bigger debt as a result of high government spending during the war, but as long as we continue to have high price production and high employment, the interest load on the debt is no heavier than before the war."

The speaker drew particular attention to the timing of the proposed operations, saying that they should be carried on when labor is going begging, when conditions of enterprise are slow; that is, during a depression.

At present plans have been made for expansion of irrigation by several new projects in various districts, which would cost more than \$100,000,000. These projects would be financed in part by the Dominion government (the main canals and reservoirs) and in part by the Provincial government (the lateral canals).

The speaker stated that he was not an expert on irrigation, but chose that topic because he felt that the question was a very important one, and that discussion on the subject should be stimulated.

A small portion of the land under irrigation at the present time produces specialized, high priced commodities such as sugar beets, fresh vegetables, garden seeds, and flowers. But the demand for these is limited, and no great expansion can be expected. Nine-tenths of the irrigator area of about 280,000 acres is producing grain and hay, crops which have a lower income value. Any increased irrigated area will have to produce this type of crop.

There are many small scale irrigation projects in Alberta, but three large irrigation districts which are infinitely more important. They have their centres at Strathmore, Vauxhall and Brooks respectively.

"These irrigation systems were all built at the wrong time, in the wrong way, and financed on the wrong principles," Professor Burchill said. "The Strathmore district has the additional disadvantage of being built in the wrong place."

Due to improper planning, timing and financing, only about one-twentieth of the land in the Strathmore project is actually irrigated. In the Vauxhall district the figure is one-quarter. In the Brooks district more than one-half of the available land is being irrigated. Mr. Burchill felt that past mistakes in irrigating land had become quite clear and would not be repeated.

When asked about development in the Grey Wooded Soil Zone (the poorest soils to the north and west), Mr. Burchill said he thought that irrigation development was a better investment because irrigation had such a profound effect in inducing the building of good homes and the establishment of a desirable type of community life. "Caution must be taken about extending irrigation to those districts which are at present economical producers of wheat," Mr. Burchill maintained.

## Council Members Plan Banquet Valentine's Day

On Saturday, Feb. 14, members of the Students' Council will be "letting their hair down" at a banquet to be held in the Macdonald Hotel at 7:00 p.m.

The decorations are to be in a Valentine theme and appropriate place cards are to be used and paper hats given out.

Following the banquet the members will attend the supper dance.

## SCM Service On Day Of Prayer

The SCM Student Service, St. Stephen's College Chapel, 3:30 to 4:30 on Sunday afternoon.

Sunday, Feb. 15th, is Universal Day of Prayer for Students. The SCM is following the order of service printed in Geneva for use in Student Christian Movements all over the world on that day. Dr. Caird will preach.

The SCM Fireside scheduled for Feb. 15th is cancelled. Next Fireside will be Feb. 29th.

### VARSITY RADIO SOCIETY CKUA

Monday, 9:00 p.m.—Varsity Show. Tuesday, 8:30 p.m.—University Artists, Ed Mickleson. Thursday, 5:30 p.m.—Green and Gold Sports Review. Saturday, 10:30 p.m.—St. Steve's Dance—On the Spot.

## Varsity Radio Show Prepares For CBC . . .



Campus radio amateurs in rehearsal for CBC broadcast at 9 p.m. Monday, Feb. 16, are, left to right: JACK CRAINE, RICH OLSON, DUNNY ROBERTSON, KEITH ROBIN and ED STACK. The play, written by Betty Bothwell, is about the history of the University of Alberta as reviewed by a group

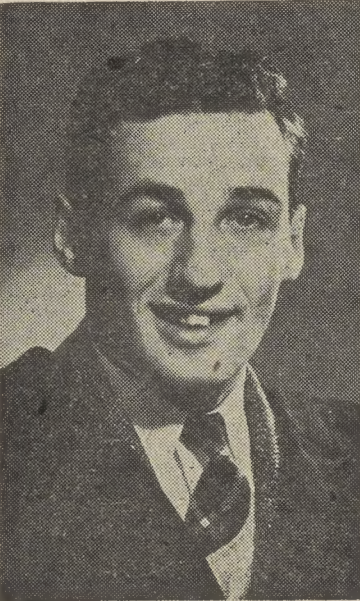
of Alumni at a reunion meeting. Participating in the program will be the MIXED CHORUS. Recordings of the broadcast are to be cut on Saturday for rebroadcast over the national network of the CBC on Monday. This play is one in a series being presented by western Canadian universities.

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## NIFCUS NEWS

To many Alberta students "Nifcus" means less than nothing. Even less do they realize that this year, six cents of the student union fee of each and every Canadian university student will go to the support of "Nifcus." To get some idea of the whys and wherefores of this organization, just keep reading this column.

"Nifcus" is the abbreviation for the National Federation of Canadian University Students, a national affiliation of the Students' Councils of twenty-two Canadian universities and colleges. Don't get the idea that



Nifcus Rep. Miller

Nifcus is a lofty body, dwelling in the realms of nebulous resolutions, however. It works, and works hard, for you—Engineers, Artsmen, Meds, Law, Science and Commerce types and even Theologs. Some of the practical accomplishments of Nifcus are:

1. Foundation of CUP.
2. Reduced railway fare for holiday travel.
3. Reduced prices on university sports equipment.
4. Reduced royalties on university plays.
5. Establishment of NIFCUS exchange scholarships.
6. Promotion of nation-wide university competitions (Canadian Intercollegiate debating championships renewed 1946).

This year, Nifcus has plans to promote several new projects. These plans include an attempt to obtain the present reduced railway rates for students the year round, the establishment of a Dominion Intercollegiate Athletic Union, a rebate on students' payment of Unemployment Insurance and a National Tour. This is by no means a complete list of the planned projects.

At the present time, Tevie Miller is representing the four western universities at an executive meeting of Nifcus being held at McMaster University in Hamilton. This meeting will be finalizing resolutions and projects brought forward at the Winnipeg conference.

Following the executive meeting, the president of Nifcus, Bob Harwood of UBC, will be touring the Canadian universities, conferring with students' councils and Nifcus committees. Bob will be on Alberta's campus March 6th.

## Alberta Veterans All Set For National Diaper Derby

The University campus in general and Hut "A" in particular will be overrun with infants on Saturday, February 14, when the student veterans' baby contest gets under way, at 3 p.m.

Entrance requirements are that the children be under two years of age as of February 29, 1948, and that they are children of veterans now attending University.

## Employment Plan To Be Continued By Air Force

The RCAF's summer employment scheme, under which Air Force veterans attending Canadian universities returned to their old service for the summer months last year as reserve officers is to be continued this year on an expanded basis.

Former officers enrolled in Science and Medicine will be given preference, although others are eligible. Students will hold commissioned rank up to flight lieutenant, and will receive equivalent pay.

The summer employment scheme is designed to train the students in the various specialist branches of the Service through their university careers, and the type of work done by each fits in as closely as possible with the course the student is taking at university. Majority of those who returned to the Air Force under the plan last year were engaged in such technical work as aeronautical and construction engineering, photography, signals, armament and the medical branches, 24 being employed in research and survey work for the Institute of Aviation Medicine in Toronto. The students were employed at Air Force stations across the country and at several universities. Graduates are eligible for permanent commissions in the RCAF upon completion of their professional training.

All veterans interested in taking advantage of the summer employment scheme should write to General Air Command, RCAF Station, Trenton, Ont., or to North West Air Command, RCAF Station, Edmonton.

The contest will include three classes: children up to six months of age, from six to twelve months, and from one to two years. Special prizes are being donated by the Students' Union, the Hudson's Bay Co., and Zellers Ltd.

Photographs of the three winners will be sent to UBC and then entered in the "National Diaper Derby" at Ottawa later in the month. It is expected that several of the universities across Canada will take up the UBC challenge, stating that their members' babies are the most beautiful in the Dominion.

Judges for the Alberta contest are to be Dean R. S. Sinclair, Col. P. S. Warren, Mrs. E. H. Strickland, Mrs. A. A. Ryan, and Mrs. D. E. Smith. Judging will be based on beauty and photogenic quality.

## Vets to Discuss Housing Program

There will be a meeting for all married veterans interested in CURMA's Housing Program on Saturday, Feb. 14, at 12 noon in Med 158. The purpose of the meeting is to decide whether a point system or a merit system will be used in considering future allocations of suites.

The news story in Tuesday's Gateway did not point out that the proposed honorariums are not effective until next year. The purpose of the honorariums is to ensure that CURMA's Housing and Loan services will continue.

CURMA elections for members of the executive will be held on pay day at the end of February. Nominations must be in by Feb. 19. Candidates for Chairman of the Housing Committee will only be accepted for nomination if they will be staying in the city during the summer.

# DOLLAR\$ AND \$ENSE

A Challenge by H. V. Weekes

In my own quaint fashion I have always believed in democracy. While I am certain that opposition and criticism are necessary for efficient government, I am equally convinced that the majority should rule. Once a course of action has been determined by a fair and honest vote, it is the duty of majority and minority alike to pursue that course with the greatest energy possible. I hope even Mr. Beddoes will see how such an opinion may be applied to our embryonic Students' Union Building.

Nineteen hundred and fifty-five voters have decided that we are to proceed with the immediate construction of Stage One, but I cannot believe that the remaining 2300 or so are as disinterested as they appear. Many students who did not vote may be while the details of the building are being discussed waiting only to be asked for their support. Now, by all who care to, and before the examinations crowd everything else into the background, now is the time to think of one more thing.

As soon as the Provincial Government have done their part, we shall owe them \$400,000. Repayment has been arranged to cover a period of twenty years, but I believe that a little enthusiasm and ingenuity can shorten that time, perhaps by half, and so promote the earlier realization of the second stage. What that second stage will be does not concern us immediately; it is a matter for the students of that day to decide. It is our responsibility, however, to make as large a

contribution as possible to the part of the scheme we have authorized.

You, my former opponents at the polls, and all you others who have favored a two buck contribution from future years, what are YOU going to do about it? All you organizations, the UAB, the Frats and Sororities, Messers Fybus, Hartling, Beddoes, the Political Science Club, Waunetta, the Mock Parliament Members and the bashful G.E.H.—what are you going to do to back up the votes you cast? Unless I am grossly mistaken, you are going to sit on your fat fannies and do nothing, as usual.

I hesitate to suggest any sensible action to those who read my column as ineptly as your replies would indicate, but with the old adage of "put up or shut up" in mind, and shuddering at the alternative, I shall put up to the extent of my caution money—five bucks, since I shall have broken nothing this year but the peace of the campus. Should I trip over a loose bust of Beddoes and be charged its full value, I shall add the necessary fifteen cents to keep the donation at five dollars.

Five bucks from an opponent of the scheme won't build a hell of a lot of building, but added to the contributions of those students who voted for the building, it might help. However, should my poor example evoke any action from anyone, I shall lose another five bucks I have just bet with my great-aunt Minnie who is 99 and still believes in people.

## Five Graduates Violate Contract . . .

# Dawson Creek Contracts Cause Conflict Over Eviction Clauses

## Saturday Set For Engineers' Annual Ball

Sunday the Engineers' Ball, one of the major activities on the campus, will be a thing of the past for another year. The new queen will be crowned, and life for the eight "choshens" of the Engineering faculty will once again return to normal.

Right now, however, plans are still being carried out to make this ball one of the best in the history of the campus. In charge of arrangements for the dance is Bruce Burgess, fourth year Civil Engineer.

Each of the third and fourth year classes in engineering have arranged a display for the night of the dance, but little information has been given concerning these. The Civil Engineers have constructed a model of the proposed Students' Union Building; the Chemical Engineers have built a smelter; and the Electrical Engineers have prepared another of their "shocking" displays, according to recent reports.

Voting for the Engineers' Queen will take place Friday, but the results will not be posted until Saturday night. About midway through the dance the new queen will be led, in company with her attendants, to the south end of the Drill Hall. There, on a raised dais, the crowning ceremony will be performed. The eight candidates running for queen are Maxine Bartsch, Lois Grant, Barbara Hansford, Pat Kingley, Hazel Millet, Robina Neal, Pat Scott, and Betty Wolcott.

The executive of the ESS is: President, Bob Spicer; vice-president, Ned Newhall; secretary-treasurer, Harry Newton. The honorary president of the society is E. K. Cummings.

Patronesses at the dance will be Mrs. R. M. Hardy, Mrs. Sparby and Miss Simpson.

Dancing will be to the music of Norris Pacey and his orchestra.

## Pembinites Lead Parade In Aid For ISS Drive

Alberta's \$6,200 International Student Services drive being held to obtain funds for university students in war-devastated regions has gotten well under way in the past week.

Student and faculty committees are canvassing while the many campus organizations are lending a hand in producing stunts and activities to raise the total of the fund.

Laurels are due to Olive Dixon, chairman of Pembina's ISS drive, for putting it over the top so quickly and efficiently. Nightly canteens where cokes and doughnuts were sold were organized, and a very successful House Dance was held in the Athabasca Gym on Saturday night. Monday night, Miss MacFarlane and Mrs. Hough accompanied the girls who ventured into Athabasca to sew on buttons, darn and mend—all for a small fee. A personal canvass was conducted and was one hundred percent successful, with every person in Pembina contributing.

The week's events have also found Athabasca males shining shoes in Penn, the House Ec Club sponsoring a cooky sale and the Panhellenic Society sponsoring a draw on a date with one of the candidates for Engineers' Queen. The Zetes and Kappa Sigs held respectively a candy sale and weight guessing contest, the Dekes a tie auction, and the Phi Kaps a tea dance at St. Joe's on Wednesday afternoon.

Controversy over eviction of graduate students from Dawson Creek suites has arisen between city officials and CURMA, according to Dave Bell, CURMA president, in a statement to The Gateway.

Basis of the controversy is the carrying out by CURMA of eviction clauses in contracts signed by undergraduate students on occupation of the suites. According to the contract, a student veteran occupying a CURMA-controlled Dawson suite agrees to evacuate the suite after graduating from the University. Five students who graduated last year are still living in suites in violation of their contracts.

Eviction on the basis of the contracts would not be upheld by city courts, according to city housing by-law rulings, stated A. F. Macdonald, assistant city solicitor, in a letter to CURMA officials.

First action to evict the five graduates was taken on January 14 when three CURMA representatives discussed the situation with L. D. Byrne, Deputy Minister of Economic Affairs, and A. F. Macdonald. At that time Mr. Macdonald stated that the matter would be placed before the City Commissioners.

Policy of the city was outlined in a letter to CURMA on January 21. Core of the Commissioners' decision reads in part: "The five students who recently graduated but have remained in the suites are now paying a higher rate of rental to the city than those who are undergraduates. They are all Edmonton residents. Therefore the City Commissioners have concluded that no action will be taken to force any one of the five students . . . to vacate the suite occupied by him."

"If at some later date other students graduate and fail to vacate their suite, then the city will take evictive proceedings against such over-holding tenants. This action will not be taken until the number of suites occupied by undergraduate University students falls below a total of 109," concluded the statement.

At present CURMA controls 109 Dawson Creek suites out of 114 occupied by veteran undergraduates. Under the original agreement made with the University in December, 1945, city officials agreed that only 100 suites out of the 238 constructed would be made available to students temporarily resident in Edmonton. This figure was later changed to 109 without any written agreement. The city agreed, that these 109 suites should be allocated to students recommended to the city by CURMA.

In addition to the 109 suites occupied with the approval of CURMA, five other suites were occupied by undergraduates who were placed in this type of housing by Mr. S. H. Campbell, emergency housing supervisor for Edmonton.

More than 140 veterans and their families are on CURMA waiting lists for housing accommodation.

Possible reorganization of waiting list priorities for the Dawson Creek suites was discussed at a CURMA meeting on Saturday. Two systems of priority rating were suggested: the "merit" system and the "point" system.

Placing of veterans under the merit system would be based on the merits of each case. Factors considered would be number of children, number of years overseas, number of years absent from wife, whether or not wife is from overseas, or a doctor's certificate stating that present housing is unsatisfactory. The merit system makes provision for a special emergency clause on urgently-required housing.

Under the point system, veterans would receive two points for every year spent at university without suitable accommodation and one point for every year left until graduation. Other points would be decided later.

No decision was reached on the system to be used because of the poor turnout at Saturday's meeting. Another meeting to discuss housing problems will be held Saturday noon, Feb. 14. All CURMA members interested in housing are urged to attend.

## Limit Activities Of McGill Co-eds

MCGILL (CUP). — "No sex, no nothing on McGill campus" was the essence of two decisions made recently by the senate of the university. Not only was it reaffirmed that there be no cheer leaderettes on the campus, but it was ruled that the women student chorus lines may appear only in the appropriate stage of a part of a performance. The girls are not to be seen offstage in the university buildings in chorus costumes.

### NOTICE

The booth in the basement of Arts will remain open on Saturday morning so that any students who have not yet paid their 50c reprint fee for the Yearbook will have an opportunity to do so.

### LOST

Between Athabasca and Arts building Thursday morning, a wallet containing a sum of money and several club cards. Reward. Contact T. F. Forman, Room 324, Athabasca Hall.

## Montana Visitors Meet Albertans In Forum Talks

International Relations Club conducted a forum Monday on the topic, "Foreign Relations and the Pan-American Union." Participants in the forum were members of Eastern Montana State Normal and the University of Alberta.

The importance in Canadian affairs concerning her relations between the British Commonwealth and the Pan-American Union and her ties to the British Commonwealth, both economic and sentimental, were discussed.

Eastern Montana State Normal was represented by Miss Condon, dean of students; Howard Anderson, president of the Student Council; Chester Blaylock, vice-president of the council; Shirley Baker, secretary of the council; and Ruth Hartley, Fay Dolve and Dorothy Bede.

University representatives were Don Smiley, who acted as chairman; Bill Rodney, Stan Mealing, Jerry Heffernan, Bill Sinclair, Don Armstrong and Don Istvanffy.

## Yearbook Photo Contest Results

Results of the Evergreen and Gold photo contest were announced over the weekend by Yearbook Director Alex Harper.

First prize winner (of \$10) is Frank Gue, 10508 71 Avenue, for his "Birth of a Design."

Second prize placer was Pat Walker, Room 220, Athabasca hall. Walker wins \$5 for his picture.

Third prize (\$2) winners were Dorothy Hayhurst, Bruce Bullock, and C. T. Taylor.

Honorable mention was given D. H. Forsyth, William Droniuk, and Earl Francis.

## Druggists Hear Dean Bowker On Legal Points

Professor W. F. Bowker, Acting Dean of the Faculty of Law, presented a paper on "Legal Aspects of Pharmacy" at a meeting on Feb. 9th sponsored by the School of Pharmacy and the Edmonton Retail Druggists' Association.

Dean Bowker discussed the several Dominion and Provincial acts which have a bearing on the practice of Pharmacy. He traced the history and development of legal regulation of the profession, and compared this with similar trends in other professions. He sketched the responsibilities of the individual and the professional society towards society.

Three films were then shown—Mechanisms of Breathing, The Story of Dr. Jenner, and a March of Time short on Ireland. The meeting closed informally with refreshments.



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## The Editors Speak

A CUP Feature

By M. V. Jones, UNB

(This is one of a series of Canadian University Press feature articles reviewing the editorial stands of University editors across the Dominion. It is prepared by M. V. Jones, University of New Brunswick.)

From the editorials of the past two weeks, it is hard to determine whether the university papers exist for the sake of politics or the U.S. Current problems and education in general got third drippings from the editors' pens.

### Political Notes

**World Savers:**  
 Another political party is claiming knowledge to the solution of the world's problems at the University of Toronto. The Social Credit party has organized there with the very negative support of the Varsity. Charges against it: anti-semitic, anti-political parties, unsound economics in its platform, and too reminiscent of Hitler in the 20's or Mussolini after the first world war.

Marx opened his manifesto by saying that the spectre of communism was haunting Europe. S. Endicott, president of the U. of T. Communist Club, says that same spectre is haunting the world. Mr. Endicott accuses P. M. King of being the last in a long line to declare that Canadians must fight this spectre, but Mr. Endicott seems to suffer the same dilemma by following the communist "line" by declaring: the Marshall Plan imperialistic; Canada's action equally as bad; the real menace to the world today is the reaction against Communism.

The Progressive Conservatives on the Varsity campus editorialize by issuing their own "manifesto." Items: union recognition; National Labor Code; ousting of monopolies; cartels (in exchange, possibly government control); subsidizing housing, and equalized standards with no

economic bar. A noble task for any party.

### Infiltration:

The Ubysey has stated its views on politics in student government neatly. While its considered opinion is that "we do not regard political issues as a necessary part of student government," the Ubysey warns Grant Livingstone, president of the Alma Mater Society, to quit chasing Communists for the Veterans' Legion and attend to student government—non-politically.

The Western Gazette wants either liberty or death from the "stench of politics." A Christmas card from Premier Drew has been in a noticeable position in the Students' Council office for some time and a situation like that calls for action. Who knows, there might be a Communist or even a Liberal in the same office!

UNB suffers a common political dilemma: biased prejudices. "An idiot, it is said, makes a good conservative, a lunatic a sincere socialist, and a compromise a sound liberal"—and to prove its point the editorial suggests the reactions of political beings reading that statement. The Conservative sneers, the Socialist labels it "Big Business," and the Liberal pats himself on the back—for being a compromise between an idiot and a lunatic. The moral: listen to the other fellows views and read his thesis beyond the first sentence.

Readers becoming disgusted with politics after this exposé will have a chance to see what is happening in NFUS and IUS relations next week.

# The Arab Stand

(Editor's Note: The following article was obtained in order to present the Arab side of the Palestine question. The authors, since they are neither students or faculty members although closely connected with the university, requested that their names be withheld.)

If the right of British justice only means the creation of a Zionist state in Palestine without, at least, consulting its inhabitants, and the acquiescence of the British Government to the wishes of the Zionists, then that is not the England or the British whom we know.

Just because the British Government issued the Balfour Declaration, it does not give them or the Zionists the right to a Zionist State in Palestine, for at the time of the Balfour Declaration the country belonged neither to the British nor to the Zionists—it belonged then, as it does now, to its rightful inhabitants, the Arabs, who have been the overwhelming majority in their own land. The Mandate for Palestine, which was derived from the Covenant of the League of Nations, under Article 22, reads as follows: "To those colonies and territories which, as a consequence of the late war, have ceased to be under the sovereignty of the States which formerly governed them, and which are inhabited by peoples not yet able to stand by themselves under the strenuous conditions of the modern world, there should be applied the principle that the well-being and development of such peoples form a sacred trust of civilization." "Certain communities formerly belonging to the Turkish Empire have reached a stage of development where their existence as Independent Nations can be provisionally recognized subject to the rendering of administrative advice and assistance by a Mandatory until such time as they are able to stand alone. The wishes of these communities must be a principal consideration in the selection of the Mandatory." Which indisputably nullified the Balfour Declaration as it definitely stated that countries which were under the Turkish Empire would be given self-government and independence.

King Faisal at no time recognized a Zionist Palestine, as these words, in his own handwriting, testify: "Provided the Arabs obtain their independence as demanded in my Memorandum dated the 4th of January, 1919, to the Foreign Office of the Government of Great Britain, I shall concur in the above articles. But if the slightest modification or departure were to be made I shall not then be bound by a single word of the present Agreement, which shall be deemed void and of no account or validity, and I shall not be answerable in any way whatsoever."

Palestine was not a segment of a Turkish Province: it was part and parcel of Syria until the end of the 1918 war. It does not matter who and how many different races and people have conquered and ruled Palestine—the fact remains that it was Arab and has remained Arab all through these centuries.

It is astounding how much more the Zionists have put into the Balfour Declaration, and as they have used Mr. Churchill's quotations, I would like to quote, in part, a speech made by Mr. Churchill in the House of Commons, August 1st, 1946:

"The position which I, personally, have adopted and maintained dates from 1919 and 1921, when as Dominions and Colonial Secretary, it fell to me to define, with the approval of the then Cabinet and Parliament, the interpretation that was placed upon our obligations to the Zionists under the Mandate for Palestine entrusted to us by the League of Nations. This was the declaration of 1922, which I, personally, drafted for the approval of the authorities of the day. Palestine was not to be a Jewish National Home, but there was to be set up a Jewish National Home in Palestine. Jewish immigration would be allowed up to the limit of the economic absorptive capacity — that was the phrase which I coined in those days and which seems to remain convenient—the Mandatory Power being, it was presumed, the final judge of what that capacity was. During the greater part of a quarter of a century which has passed, this policy was carefully carried out by us. The Jewish population multiplied from about 80,000 to nearly 600,000."

And if further proof is required, and if my Zionist readers do not like what Mr. Churchill said, perhaps a quotation of an ardent and loyal Zionist, none other than Mr. Harold Laski. In November, 1945, writing in "Forward," he said, on the subject of Palestine:

"I do not see in the Balfour Declaration, or in the terms of the Mandate itself, any plan that there shall be a Jewish majority or a Jewish state in Palestine." If Mr. Laski is not sufficient authority for my Zionist friends, then I don't know who else is.

I really do not think it is only slander but outright sabotage for the Zionists to attack the British Government and the British people as they have been one of the friendliest races on earth toward the Jewish people. They have given them refuge and hospitality and have created a National Home for them in Palestine against the explicit wishes of its inhabitants.

The Arabs as a race have a rich cultural background, and they have contributed more than their share to our present civilization. There is no moral power in the world that can deny the Arabs their own homeland in Palestine. Palestine cannot be justly dealt with in any way without the free consent of its population. There can be no international peace and justice unless the great powers of the world abide by certain universal principles. One of these universal principles is the recognition of the natural right of the

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people of each country to decide their own destiny. It is a breach of elementary human rights to deny the Arabs of Palestine their civil and political rights in their own country.

The Arabs entered into the First World War on the side of the Allies because they had received definite pledges and promises that they would be given their independence throughout the Arab world, which had been under Turkish misrule for nearly four centuries. The country did not belong to the Turks or the British—it belonged to its inhabitants and they were exerting their utmost to regain their political freedom for their own homeland. It is not a matter of declarations and promises—it is the right of a people to manage and rule their own country.

I wonder if we Canadians and Britishers could call Churchill a traitor because he asserted himself against the Nazis and the Hitler hordes. That is how the Arab world looks upon the Grand Muffi as a Great Nationalist fighting for the rights and freedom of the Arab people of Palestine. He was a great friend of the British, and received several decorations for collaborating with them during the First World War and afterwards, but when it became obvious that the Zionist invasion of his homeland was a menace to the independence and freedom of the Arabs, he went against the British Administration and immigration policy in the Holy Land. It was the right of a man exercising his individual initiative against an injustice detrimental to his people and their homeland.

As for the Arabs not being displaced or dispossessed by Jewish immigration. Sir John Hope Simpson, as Chairman of the 1930 Royal Commission sent into Palestine, wrote: "The Arab population has, by the excess of births over deaths, increased with great rapidity, while the land available for its sustenance has decreased by 250,000 acres. This area has passed into Jewish hands." Through Zionist purchases, the Arabs have lost the land which gave them the assurance of permanent livelihood. Even if the progress of the Zionists in Palestine were real and their economic condition healthy, what benefits would it provide the Arabs? Very few, if any, Arabs benefit from the health, educational and other social service activities of the Zionists. All the lands bought by the Jewish fund are lost to the Arabs forever, for according to Article 3 of the Constitution of the Jewish Agency, such lands will be held as the inalienable property of the Jewish people. No Arab at any time in future will be able to rebuy it, at no matter what price.

In pointing the increase of the Arab population as evidenced by the increased prosperity of the Arabs due to Jewish immigration—the thousands upon thousands of Arabs from neighboring states flocking into Palestine seeking higher wages and better living conditions. According to the Statesman Year Book, these claims are unfounded. According to this reliable Year Book, the average number of Arabs immigrating into Palestine has been less than 900 per year. Since the advent of Zionism the Arab population has increased from 700,000 to a little over 1,000,000. During the same period, the population of Transjordan had increased from 200,000 to 300,000, the population of Syria increased by 90%, and the population of Iraq increased by 75%. These statistics do not support the Zionist claim that Arabs from the neighboring Arab states have gone to Palestine to reap some of the supposed prosperity brought by Zionism. With regard to higher wages in Palestine, that is correct. It is true that the Zionist enterprise has led to a rise in the wage of Arab labour, but like other Zionist assertions, it is only half the truth, for Zionism has led to an abnormal rise in the cost of living so that the economic condition of the common Arab laborer has been worse than it was during the Turkish rule.

November 28th, 1947, will probably live in the heart of all Arabs as the day of infamy in the history of mankind. For it was the day on which a World Organization forced an alien group upon them to take part of their homeland for a Zionist State—to carve what otherwise is a perfect unity of their beloved Arab lands which at this time was on the threshold of a new renaissance and, like a parched plant that has been denied water for so long, was beginning to live for the future, when once more Arab literature, culture, astronomy, mathematics and architecture, will again be the leading influence for the rest of the human race to saner, humbler living.

The actual voting on Partition of the Holy Land was on the agenda for Wednesday, November 26th, and had voting been taken on that day partition would have been defeated by 18 to 30. President Truman, who had assured the Arab Nations that his State Department would play neutral in the Palestine issue, turned completely and disregarded good faith entirely by calling in Acting Under-Secretary of State Bob Lovett to the White House on Wednesday and again on Friday, warning him he would demand a full explanation if nations which usually line up with the U.S.A. failed to do so on Palestine. Truman had in mind such nations as Liberia, Haiti, China, Ethiopia, New Zealand, the French Government, Greece, the Philippines, as well as half a dozen Latin American countries, all of whom were against Partition on the 26th, and yet they voted for it on the 29th. If this method of coercion is not criminal, then perhaps mankind does not know what freedom of the individual means.

## CUP's Finn ...



### Honorary President

T. D'Arcy Finn, executive Editor of The Ottawa Citizen, who was chosen honorary president of the Canadian University Press at its conference in Hamilton, Dec. 28-30, has had 50 years newspaper experience ranging all the way from printer's devil to his present editorial position.

Mr. Finn went into newspaper work at 16 years of age with The Citizen, and has been with that paper ever since. He rose through the positions of office boy, copyholder for proofreaders, proofreader, reporter, sports editor, night editor, city editor, managing editor to executive editor.

He was managing editor of The Citizen for 25 years until 1930 when he was appointed to his present post. He is author of the popular daily humorous column, "Once Over Lightly" on The Citizen's editorial page.

## Co-Wed Column

Your committee met together Monday night, Feb. 9, to arrange for the big general meeting to be held March 9 in the Education building. That night will also be the night for elections of your new officers for the coming year.

If there is someone in your district whom you think has qualities for any of the following offices: president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, program convener, or editor, contact one of the following people of the nominating committee in your district.

Dawson Creek Area:  
 Mrs. C. S. Douglas, 10805 71 Ave.  
 South Side General Area:  
 Mrs. B. B. Torchinsky, 10803 82 Ave.  
 Air Base Area:  
 Mrs. R. S. Pinder, Ste. 1, Hut 905.  
 Bonnie Doon Area:  
 Mrs. J. W. Allen, 9054 95 St.  
 North Side General Area:  
 Mrs. R. H. Umbach, 10315 154 St.  
 Come on girls, let us see if we can really make this a good election.

Is there a wife in our midst who has had training in teaching? If so would you like to earn some money tutoring a young child in reading and spelling? If interested contact Mrs. Hutchinson at Ste. 114, 10767 95 St. Phone 81492.

Quite a few of the girls taking the Keep-Fit class have expressed the desire to own a uniform. They aren't compulsory but if you would like to buy one get in touch with your leader, Mavis Gould.

Now let us quickly review our schedule for the week.

February 17 we have Applied Art in Med 142 under the supervision of Mrs. Bentley. The lecture will be on draperies.  
 The Glee Club will be held from 9 to 10 immediately after Applied Arts in Med 158.  
 Remembering Friday, Feb. 13, you

## McFall Announces New Set-up For Forum Committee

Parliamentary Forum Committee, which formerly worked in conjunction with the Political Science Club, has now separated from that club. In future, the Parliamentary Committee will be an independent organization which will be appointed by the Students' Union.

The separation of the Parliamentary Committee will have no noticeable effect on the Political Science Club, according to Earl McFall, its president.

There will be no substantial change in the club's constitution, since the Parliamentary Committee had a separate constitution of its own from the beginning. Geoff. Wodhams, chairman of the Parliamentary Committee, will continue to work with the Political Science Club in an executive capacity throughout the remainder of the session.

Study groups of the various political parties on the campus will continue to operate under the direction of the Political Science Club.

take our skates to the Keep-Fit class, if you wish to skate from 9 to 10; if you would rather not, volleyball will be played in the hall.

Please note that regular attendance at club activities are restricted to Co-Weds.

## Pete



## and Peg



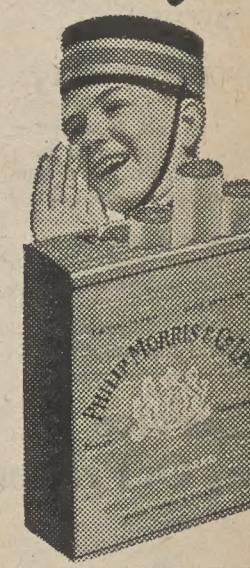
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# Cake and Candy

We are not entirely sure if we should venture again into print, particularly since our Caustic Critic has engaged the attention of the Council. Our poor effort could never merit a special edition at student expense, but we might have our wrist slapped. Only the illustrious example of Dick (Fruit and Nuts) Gordon spurs us on. By his lean and hungry side we are resolved to dare whatever gods there be.

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It could be nothing but the purest coincidence that, as soon as the Referendum Campaign was over, the warm winds ceased to blow and the campus set a new record for below zero temperatures. Chilly, isn't it?

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Perhaps like the man who married the fan dancer, we thrive on excitement, but we believe that an occasional argument stimulates interest in student affairs. If any of our readers can think of something else to fight about we might be able to match Tarzan with the Caustic Critic, and Kid Chinook with our redoubtable Finlay. The Gateway might offer a prize for the best subject.

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We blush to be so stern, but since democratic institutions were at least the nominal thing we were fighting for, we believe it might do some good if Council were to publish the names of the 53% of the students who did not think enough of their own interests and those of their successors to vote on a half million dollar question. We do not believe in compulsory voting, but we should like to know at whom we may justifiably thumb our nose.

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Our agent borrowed our Sherlock Holmes hat this week and discovered that "Stet", the literary campus gaby, will howl but once more toward the end of the term. At the time this information was gleaned, our agent was kibitzing a conversation in Tuck in which Mr. Brisbin, ye editor, was sympathizing with divers quaint but astute characters. In addition to this choice bit of gossip, our agent presented us with the names of seven of the best brands of elixir with which we might combat that Varsity feeling.

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We can have no great admiration for the recent action of the students at UBC. This late in the term they challenge us to a baby contest, and will expect us to produce on short notice what they have taken all year to accomplish. We feel that if our roving photographer were to visit the local zoo he would find subjects quite beautiful enough to match the best our Siwash brethren can exhibit. Leaning on our dislocated shoulder, our agent suggests, cynically, that the competition might prove too much even for the local product.

Our agent is a cynical fellow.

## Knight Errant

In haste from Agriculture's well-strewn meadows Comes, at the sound of war, the mighty Beddoes. His look is fierce and bold as any man's; His armor made from old tomato cans. His sword is rusty, and his trumpet squeaks; He swears his crooked lance is aimed at Weekes. Beside him rides a squire, with visage ill From years of going steadily down hill. Each rides a jackass, muscular and fair, "The foe must be around," they cry, "but where?" They ride in all directions. Yards away, The battle's joined, and bloody is the fray. And Beddoes' friends, with greater force of arms, Protect their Scheme from direful Critics' harms. Then, when the tumult and the shouting dies, Foe joins with friend to speed the enterprise. But Richard spurs his steed to make him snort, And with the timeliness he brings to sport, Rides bravely to the field, tramples the flowers, Waves his Excalibur—"The day is ours!" A doughty warrior this, how sad his fate, That he should reach the battleground—too late.

—H. V.

## Engineers' Queen?



—Photo by Durham.

## Elsie Borden . . .

No doubt every normal, red-blooded, Canadian male on the campus has noticed this popular co-ed hoofing her way to classes. She is Elsie Borden the gal with the bovine blue eyes, choice of the 'Ag' Engineers class of '59 or bust.

Enrolled in 6th year House Ec. she is majoring in milk and its production and should be a wonderful wife to some lucky Engineer.

Her likes are few and her dislikes many. Under the heading of dislikes, 6 o'clock classes with the milking machine and people who collect things. She dislikes formal since she is allergic to corsages especially those that cost under \$3.00, although according to the Infirmary she throws a mean hoof on the dance floor. Under the heading of likes, which are very few, bull sessions head the list with snail watching a close second.

Right now Elsie is as busy as

a one-armed paper hanger. She is president of the Society for Rehabilitation of Destitute Field Mice and she is devoting her all to this noble cause. Also she is Matron in charge of Fodder in the Alpha Rho Moo sorority.

Even with all these duties Elsie manages to find time for extra-curricular activities so, fellow Engineers, if you are feeling 'extra' hie down to the Animal Paddocks and 'wait, wait, wait, by the old red gate.'

### LOST

A blue Waterman's pen and pencil set in black leather case, in Arts Rotunda. Finder please turn it in to switchboard.

### LOST

Lost—A brown Parker fountain pen initialed J. T. Finder please contact Art Dept., Arts 246.

# Weariness Applause And Theft Greet Mixed Chorus in Calgary

By Irene Bowerman

"Well, it's over again for another year," I said to myself as I climbed wearily into bed Saturday morning.

I had just come home from the last concert given by the Mixed Chorus in the fair city of Calgary. I knew it probably seems funny to many of you to have someone come strolling in Saturday morning from a recital given Friday night, but that's just one of the many zany things that happened on the Calgary tour of the chorus.

The fun really began at Caf on Wednesday night. The chorus members went over there after the recital at Con Hall, and were having a wonderful time singing all sorts of rounds, folk songs, negro spirituals, etc. Finally somebody who was a little more conscientious than the rest of us suggested that we had best head for home. Those buses were leaving at 8 o'clock the next morning, and nobody wanted to be left behind. So we departed from the cafeteria leaving the roof on, but the inside looking as if some great cyclone had swept through the building.

I got up a trifle late the next morning, and it was quite a scramble to make it to the Arts Building on time, but I got there somehow, and finally established myself in one of the buses. Shortly after eight we started rolling.

There were four buses, and some of the boys had stayed up until around 2 a.m. to decorate them. By the time they had finished, no one along the road could possibly help knowing that the mixed Chorus was on its way some place.

I was in No. 1 bus. There was a continual hum of conversation all the way to Calgary, and numerous groups played numerous games to liven up the ride. Ron Stevens, Bill Kelly, Al Armstrong, and Gene Kelly were hot in a game of bridge (they say), while some of the other choristers were amusing themselves playing twenty questions—highly educational pastimes, you must admit.

### Warriors and War Whoops

The buses ground to a stop in Red Deer just in time for everyone to dash over to the station to meet the Chinook and Dick Eaton. Parking himself on the steps of the train, Dick conducted the Swazi Warrior for enthusiastic chorus members

amid the cheers of the rest of the crowd. Then everyone made a wild dash for the Club Cafe and dinner.

And it was off to the buses again! The ride from Red Deer to Calgary was rather uneventful. Just about everyone in our bus was freezing. It seems that all the other buses were nice and warm, too. Oh, well, just part of the fun I kept telling myself, as I piled on more coats slyly snatched from fellow song-birds when their backs were turned.

When we stopped at Knox Church we were all relieved to think that at last we would be able to stretch our legs and rest. But no such luck! The executive and Mr. Eaton immediately began to use their brains trying to mark out a decent seating arrangement for the concert to be given that night. We sang a few numbers so Dick could hear how we sounded in church, and he was overwhelmed when he heard us. "I didn't realize what a wonderful group I had," was the only comment he could make.

At last everything was arranged, and we all dashed off to grab a bite of supper before reporting back at the church at the early hour of 7:30 p.m. I was only staying about six blocks from the church, so I had it easy. When I got back that night everything was in an uproar. Kids were scurrying around looking for misplaced music, and trying to figure out whom they should be standing behind. Dick gave us a little pep talk, and then we started to file into our places. As I walked up the centre aisle, I think I shared the disappointment of every member of the chorus when I saw what a small crowd there was. What they lacked in size they made up for in enthusiasm, though, and we had to repeat several numbers as well as giving four encores.

### Enter the Gendarmes

It was Thursday night that the biggest excitement of the tour occurred, too. The girls rather thoughtlessly left their money in their coat pockets, and during the performance several of the coats were rifled and money was taken from them. Fortunately for the unlucky owners of the coats, all valuables were returned, but it did cause a disturbance for some time.

The reports concerning the concert which were found in the Calgary papers on Friday were very favorable, and as a result the turn-out on Friday night packed Knox. And we sang like we had never sung before. The audience kept asking for

more, and we sang a great many of the songs a second time. At last we sang our last song, and then we headed for the basement and food.

The Cosmopolitan Club had prepared a scrumptious repast for us, and we dug in with all the enthusiasm we could muster, which was plenty. After we had eaten we sang around the tables, and listened to a few talks.

Jack Fair, president of the Mixed Chorus, thanked Henry Patterson, president of the Cosmopolitan Club on behalf of the Chorus members, for backing the Mixed Chorus on such short notice. Mr. Markle, our "ornary" president, as he terms it, had the Chorus rolling with laughter when he told of his dismay at some of the things that the Chorus members had to put up with on the tour, using the entire time nine-syllable words without supplying the uncultured chorus members with dictionaries.

### And Afterwards . . .

Not satisfied with the foolishness at the church, a group of about twenty-five of the Chorus (myself included) set out for some place known as the White Spot to more thoroughly create a disturbance. We arrived there and practically filled the place, not only with our presence, but also with our voices. We attempted to sing every song on the program, but the one to which we continually turned was the Swazi Warrior. Don Phillips and Bud Brundage poked their noses in for a few minutes, and Bud had the pleasure (?) of singing Honor, Honor for the customers (excluding ourselves, of course) at the White Spot.

At last we decided that we had better leave before the proprietor decided to call a couple of station wagons to accommodate us. As I went out, I noticed that someone was starting to fix the plaster on the ceiling. I didn't think that we had sung that hard, but it might be possible.

Yes, it's all over for another year, I thought as I climbed wearily into bed. But then I suddenly realized that it wasn't really over, because there was still the Spring Tour coming up the first of May, and everyone was sure to have fun on that.

And there will be other tours for the Mixed Chorus, with bigger and better audiences at their recitals as the fame of the group grows, for the Chorus is the largest and best of its kind in the Dominion.

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# Halpenny Finals Over Weekend

## U. of S. Pucksters Hold 1-Goal Lead Over Bruins

Tonight and Saturday afternoon Bears meet Huskies in what promises to be the bitterest battle for the Halpenny Trophy in years. First game is set for 8:30 on the ice of the Varsity Rink. The second tussle will start at 2:30 Saturday.

Huskies arrived this morning for the last half of the series, in which they now hold a one-point lead. The first game, in Saskatoon, saw the Green and White sextet tear through to net eight goals to the Bears' four. The following night the determined Albertans tallied three goals, while Joe Moran put on an octopus act in the Bruin nets to hold U. of S. scoreless. The same "Jumpin' Joe" will be between the pipes for the Bruins in the last two games.

The Huskies are counting on taking the Halpenny Trophy back with them this year. The Bears are determined to keep it here. And both squads have shown an impressive amount of team spirit in the last few games. The Bears recently tied up the Camrose Maroons, their first of the season. All this adds up to two plenty hot games with enough action to make it the best series in a long time.

Lineups will be substantially the same as those of the Saskatoon games. Coach Wilson is using Bill Mackenzie in goal; Frank Lovell, Bob Annot, Roy Perrin and Norm Spice on defense; and George Parker, Art Meyer, Jim Hay, Git Rempel, Julian Smith, Vic Campbell, Jim Owen, Pete Smandyeh, and Mike Zurowski at forward.

Tentative Alberta lineup is as follows:

Goal, Joe Moran; defence, Ellis, Soldan, Boyse; forwards, Jim Fleming, Vince Krehel, Bill Dockery, Johnny Lyons, Archie Hardy, Bob Colborne, Harry Hobbs, Bill McQuay, Doug Ringrose, and Al Purkiss.

### HUSKIE THREAT . . .



Army Kroeger, slick Huskie defenseman, who may see action against the Bears this weekend.

### INTRAMURAL TABLE TENNIS

Feb. 16—  
H. Hobbs and J. Smith vs R. Meston and L. Burton, 7:00 p.m.  
R. Meston and L. Burton vs B. Rodney and J. Rodney, 7:45 p.m.  
B. Rodney and J. Rodney vs H. Hobbs and J. Smith, 8:30 p.m.

Feb. 16—  
H. Brezer vs M. Wilde, 9:00 p.m.  
J. Morgan vs L. Plotkins, 9:30 p.m.

## Bear Cagers Swamp Yanks In Exhibition Game Tuesday

Alberta Golden Bears were at their all-time best Tuesday night as they defeated Montana Yellowjackets by a healthy margin, 90 to 54. About seven hundred people witnessed the smooth display of the Varsity basketball machine on their home floor.

A preliminary game between Bearcats and Hi Stars saw the Varsity squad out front, 39-32. In the second game, the Bears started scoring half a minute after the first whistle. They never stopped. At half-time they led 40-24, and things got worse for the southerners as they began to tire in the latter half.

The Bears, at ease on their own big floor, kept up a scorching pace with over two points every minute. And a large part of their big total was chalked up by floor boss Bill Price, whose deadly accuracy never faltered throughout the game; he sank all of his foul shots and looped some lovely field baskets for 24 points. Second sharpshooters of the evening were Bill Rich and Evan Erickson, with 15 apiece. Their performance was matched by long Frank Chase of the Billings squad, who made most of his baskets from fairly close range.

None of the Alberta group seemed bothered by the terrific speed; centers Gord McCormack and "Shadow" Oberhoffner kept the Bear passing plays under the basket in smooth order. And both of them got hot on the shooting. McCormack tallying a dozen and Oberhoffner 11. Bob Strother and Dunc Stockwell played a plain, dependable game, finishing up with 6 each.

Analysis of both games with Montana shows that the Bears were considerably more accurate. They outscored the Jackets 157 to 110, and in the second game sunk 39 field baskets in 85 attempts, while the visitors completed 23 shots in 90 attempts. And while all this was going on, Coach Maury Van Vliet was on his way to a Dominion Intercollegiate conference in Ottawa.

## THEATRE DIRECTORY

### ODEON THEATRES

AVENUE—Sat.-Tues., "Boys Ranche" and "Cross My Heart." Wed.-Fri., "Night and Day" and "Strange Triangle."

VARSCONA—Still showing, "The Man in Grey."

ROXY—Sat.-Tues., "Gallant Bess" and "Our Hearts Were Growing Up." Wed.-Fri., "Show Off" and "Captive Heart."

### FAMOUS PLAYERS

GARNEAU—Tonight and Sat., "Variety Girl," starring Bing Crosby. Mon. and Tues., "The Long Night," plus added featurettes. Wed.-Thurs., "The Trouble With Women," plus added featurettes. Fri.-Sat., "Cynthia," with Elizabeth Taylor and George Murphy.

CAPITOL—Ends Sat., "Green Dolphin Street." Mon.-Sat., "Mother Wore Tights."

STRAND—Ends Sat., "Buck Privates Come Home," with Abbott and Costello, and "Oregon Trail Scouts." Mon.-Wed., "The Stranger" and "Wake Up and Dream." Thurs.-Sat., "Suddenly Its Spring" and "Trail to Mexico."

EMPRESS—Fri.-Mon., "Cry Wolf" with Errol Flynn and Barbara Stanwyck. Fri.-Thurs., "It Had to Be You" with Ginger Rogers and Cornel Wilde.

### Assault Program

7:15 p.m.—BOXING:  
Featherweight: Gerald Dahms vs Doug Ross.  
Lightweight: Laurie MacLean vs Jack Cook.  
Welterweight: Merlin Wozniak vs Andy Potter.

8:00 p.m.—WRESTLING:  
Featherweight: Don Innes vs Stan Leavitt.  
Lightweight: Roy O'Hashi vs Bob Mitchell.  
Welterweight: Joe Gurba vs Lloyd Yakimowich.

8:45 p.m.—JUDO (Exhibition):  
Yoshio Katsuta vs Yoshio Senda.

9:30 p.m.—FENCING (Exhibition):  
FOIL BOUTS: S. Adlemann vs F. Wetterberg.  
S. Mealing vs D. Whyte.

SABER BOUT: F. Wetterberg vs Prof. L. Gads.

10:00 p.m.—WRESTLING:  
Middleweight: Doug Low vs Jack Perry.  
Light-Heavyweight: Larry Edwards vs Joe Lancaster.

10:30 p.m.—BOXING:  
Middleweight: Fiz Leadly vs Arnold Holmes.  
Light-Heavyweight: Barney Connor vs Ed French.

OFFICIALS:  
Wrestling referee: Dr. Lee Dodds.  
Wrestling judges: Ted Smith and Leo Magirl.  
Boxing referee: Wally Beaumont.  
Boxing judges: MacDonald and Buckston.  
Fencing referee: Dr. Whyte.  
Timekeeper: A. G. Shute.  
Announcer: Dick Beddoes.

## Varsity Gladiators Prepare For Assault Bouts Tonight

By Jack Mahoney

St. Joe's gym has been buzzing with activity between the hours of 4 and 6 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays of the past few weeks. When the workout begins, Coach Glen Roberts gathers the members around him and pairs them off for the beginning of the afternoon sparring. Almost immediately the sock-exchange springs to life with bobbing heads, weaving bodies, uppercuts, left hooks and speedy footwork.

And soon the air is pungent with the mingled scent of leather, sweat and liniment. There is a certain pre-fight tenseness, too, in the air for the block-and-counter boys are putting their best mitt forward in preparation for the preliminary assault-at-arms which is to be held in the Drill Hall on Friday of this week.

### Variety of Talent

The boxing bill of fare will feature a wide variety of fighting talent, including the veteran Laurie MacLean, president of the Boxing Club, who won the intervarsity welterweight crown last year, and "Handy Paws" Dahms, the young star of the club, who captured the bantam title in the Central Alberta inter-school competitions last year. Of the ten names on the program for Friday evening, five are appearing on a fight card for the first time, two have appeared once before, and three belong to the ring-wise veterans class.

Laurie MacLean has had the gloves on before, which is perfectly obvious when you see him work out. In 1946 he won the provincial welterweight novice crown. Gym gossip has it that when he hits you it's like a minor explosion. Now in second year pre-Law, he hopes to carry on fighting after he graduates, only then it will be the verbal kind in the courtroom.

### Cook Dangerous

McLean's opponent in the welterweight match will be Jack Cook, a local joe from the Scena district, who is studying Geology. His previous boxing experience has been scanty, but he's got a high-explosive right hand that lays his opponent's out flatter than a bottle of American beer. He fights at 146, and he's been around this town for 22 years.

In the middleweight class, Arnold Holmes, a veteran fighter from Cardston in the deep south, will meet "Fiz" Leadly. A steady, dependable boxer, Holmes makes good use of the experience he has gained in matches around the Taber district. He delivers his leather from an upright stance, and packs plenty of persuasive power in both paws. Arnold tips the scales at 158 lbs. and is 21 years old.

Rugged-looking "Fiz" Leadly is another two-fisted fighter who also hails from the Education Faculty. Unlike his more experienced opponents, he is having his first go at the mitt-sport. And he's doing well at it. What he lacks in training is more than balanced by his steady, solid punching, and a natural ruggedness that makes him a hard man to hurt.

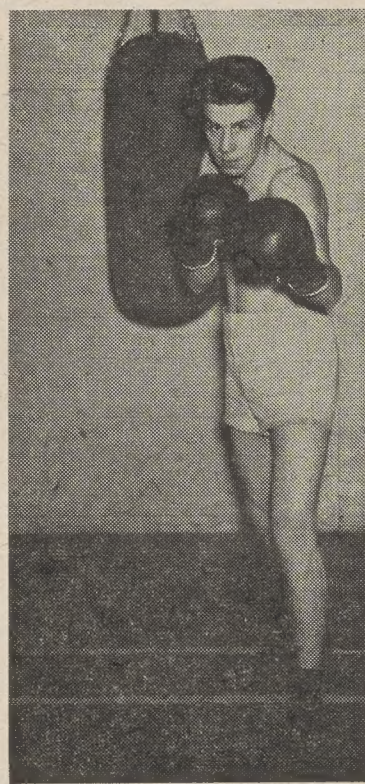
### Light Heavies

Two light-heavyweights are scheduled to appear on Friday evening's card. Barney Connor, a tall, rangy lad in second year Engineering will be in one corner. Although he had done very little boxing until last fall, Barney has made progress under the club's guidance, and has developed a style that looks almost professional. His darting left jab would be good cause for grief to many a fighting man. Barney weighs 165 lbs., and lives in the town of Chinook.

In the other corner will be Edgar French, a 173-pounder from Cardston, with one previous trip to the ring to his credit. At first sight he looks awkward in the ring, but fighters who have tangled with him say this apparent awkwardness is deceptive. "You don't know he's around until you put the gloves on with him," one member of the club remarked, "and then you really find out in a hurry." Ed is 21 years of age and is in second year Agriculture.

Two exhibition bouts, including one featherweight and one middleweight match, are on the boxing bill of fare. The middleweight tussle will bring together Andy Potter, a

### MITT EXPERT . . .



Boxing President Laurie MacLean will tackle Jack Cook tonight in the lightweight contest.

lad from Calgary who has had three years of experience with the club, and Merlin Wagnioch, a late comer who will bear watching in the future. Both are well matched in a physical way. Potter weighs 150 lbs., Wagnioch 153; and they are built much the same. Potter has acquired a sizable amount of ring know-how in his three years with the club, which could give him a slight edge were it not for Wagnioch's naturally effective right hand.

### Highlight of Evening

The featherweight fracas between Gerald Dahms and Doug Ross could easily be the highlight of the evening, for one of the little men is something of a sensation in the ring. "Handy Paws" Dahms is the baby of the club, having been around for only 17 years. But don't let the word "baby" mislead you. There are such things as baby wildcats—nice things to look at, but good things to keep clear of. "Handy Paws" is that way in the ring. He can pepper an opponent with more leather in two minutes than the Great West Saddlery handles in a week. To say he is a terrific fighter is an understatement. There is not just a fist and an arm in one of his blows, but rather 118 lbs. of solid scrapper. He has been known to give boxers 30 lbs. heavier than himself a bad time in the squared circle. Not only are his punches lightning fast, but they pack a wallop fit to shrivel your insides. He accumulated his ring savvy in his last years in high school at Ponoka, having fought in the inter-school competitions there and at Red Deer.

### Ross Steady

To be able to face an opponent like Dahms speaks well for Doug Ross's own fighting ability, especially in view of the fact that this is his first time on the resin. A keen member of the boxing fraternity, Ross has developed the type of style that could be an effective checkmate to Dahms' snappy scrapping. He will be depending mainly on his long-range left to keep Dahms from effectively using his in-fighting ability. Ross's fighting weight is at the upper limit of the featherweight class, 126 lbs.

### AT STAKE



The Halpenny Trophy, which has been held by Alberta for 11 long years.

## Van Vliet Attends Ottawa Meet

Last Tuesday, Prof. M. L. Van Vliet of the Physical Education Department entrained for Ottawa, where he is attending a conference of athletic directors from all over Canada. Main topic on the agenda is the possible formation of a Dominion Intercollegiate Athletic Union.

This would involve Dominion play-offs between East and West, probably confined to the major sports football, hockey and basketball. At present, there are at least half a dozen intercollegiate leagues in Canada.

Another item which may receive some unofficial discussion is the forthcoming Olympic Games, scheduled for next summer.

Professor Van Vliet is due to arrive back in Edmonton next Tuesday.

## Badminton Finals Set For Sunday

On Sunday evening, Feb. 15, the finals of the badminton tournament will be played at the Drill Hall. Commencing at 7:30 p.m., these finals will be open to the public. All sports trophies will be on display for the first time, although presentation will not take place until Color Night.

These matches climax the competitive badminton seen on the campus this year; from the winners will be selected the team to represent Alberta at Winnipeg in March.

Thursday night saw some high class badminton, as the top performers of the campus struggled for supremacy. The surprise upset of the evening was Bob Watson's victory over Norm Preston, a heavy favorite and last year's title-holder.

In two hard fought matches, both going to three games, Harry Holmes defeated Chuck Templeton; and the June Fraser-Norm Preston duo downed Marge Fraser and Bill Burge, the last game going for extra points.

The following are the complete results of Thursday's play:

### Men's Singles

Preston def. Hankinson, 15-1, 15-2.  
Watson def. Preston, 15-8, 15-11.  
Holmes def. Templeton, 9-15, 15-10.

15-8.  
Grierson def. Burge, 15-0, 15-8.  
Grierson def. Holmes, 15-10, 15-7.

### Men's Doubles

Watson-Templeton def. Thurber-Ward, 15-8, 15-4.

Watson-Templeton def. Grierson-Higginson, 18-15, 15-4.

Preston-Holmes def. Burge-MacIntosh, 15-10, 15-1.

### Ladies' Singles

J. Fraser def. B. Armstrong, 11-2, 11-7.

E. Macdonald def. A. Bures, 11-2, 13-10.

### Ladies' Doubles

Fraser-Fraser def. Irwin-Rosell, 15-5, 15-7.

Saucier-Bures def. Armstrong-Armstrong, 15-7, 15-11.

Macdonald-Arnold def. Saucier-Bures, 15-11, 15-4.

### Mixed Doubles

J. Fraser-Preston def. M. Fraser-Burge, 15-16, 9-15, 17-14.

Macdonald-MacIntosh def. Johnson-Watson, 15-6, 15-11.

## OFFSIDE

by Hugh Hay-Roe

### BEAR FACTS

Andy Andrekson called it "the greatest basketball game in my life." Small wonder. Operating without a coach and one of their first-string players, the Golden Bears demolished Oscar Bjorgum's Normalites last Tuesday. People who thought it would be tough going for the home squad got a big surprise.

Manager Andrekson and big Jim MacRae, sweating it out on the bench, were not worried for long. The Bears were in A-1 condition, and they showed it. Said Andy, "The boys were swell. I never saw such co-operation and team work." And if the Bears looked good as a team, it was because they were superb solo performers as well. Each man, taken by himself, was a star that night. Price was never so capable, Oberhoffner so smooth, nor Rich so accurate—and all the other members of the aggregation performed faultlessly.

Just before he pulled out for Ottawa, boss Van Vliet said jokingly to Willie Price, "Bill, I want you to make twenty-four points tonight." And the eagle-eyed captain garnered exactly two dozen.

A veritable ball of fire was "Rabbit" Erickson—he can retrieve the ball from an opponent faster than anyone we ever saw. Added to that, Evan was deadly on close-in shots. Long Gord McCormack was at his best; one basket that delighted the fans was an underhand flip made while he was in the air and travelling at top speed.

"Lefty" Strother was a man to count on; and a plentiful number of baskets were scored on his set-ups. Dunc Stockwell gets our vote as the most valuable freshman hoopster during the Montana series. It was swell to see the new men of the team getting more than an even break.

And the conclusion we arrive at is that the G.B.'s look good enough to take a crack at stiffer competition—for, with all due respect to winners and losers, it must be admitted that the EMN Yellowjackets are a second-rate team. They could hardly be more than that, for Eastern Montana Normal boasts about 500 students, to Alberta U's 4000-odd.

Yet basketball here has come a long way in a short time. It is amazing what a good coach can do if he has the time, the equipment, and the "raw material." Maury Van Vliet is fairly well stocked in all these items; so it looks like a bright future is in store for the Bears.

Now that interest over the international cage series has abated somewhat, people are beginning to think about provincial play-offs, and Varsity's excellent chance of keeping the crown. It may turn out the play-offs are late—perhaps late enough to conflict with examinations. Rather too bad if the Green and Gold didn't make a clean sweep this season by knocking off the Alberta title again.

We were informed recently that the Bruins have been invited to play a one-game exhibition series at Cardston. Such a contest would be pretty easy for the Bears, inasmuch as they trimmed Magrath twice—and the Lions have vanquished Cardston on several occasions. If the Bears have a chance at the provincial championships, we're betting on them.

## Around the Campus with Egbert . . .



Yes, it looks like some skin off Egbert's chin . . . but such minor injuries can be repaired in short order with a little plaster and iodine.

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